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THE WEATHER TO-DAY-Fair.

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WATER SUPPLY IN DOWNTOWN AREA **WORST HE KNOWS**

Congested District, Says Engineer Booth, Inadequately Protected.

WOULD GET RID OF OLD RESERVOIR

Experts Recommend Merger of Low and High Pressure Systems and Construction of New Main From Madison

New Main From Madison to Seventh to Correct Canditions.

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"I fon't know of any city in the country the size of Richmond that has as poor a water supply for its downtown districts as you have," said Chief Engineer George W. Booth, of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, speaking last night to the special Public Utilities Committee investigating the city's water district is imadequately protected against serious fire." With this summing up of the down town fire hazard, Mr Booth outlined a plan of correction, the main feature of which is the union of the city's high and low pressure systems, and the discarding of the Old Reservoir. The merging of all mains into one system, fed from the New Reservoir, and the construction of a new twenty-four inch main from Madison Street along Canal Street to Seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district are to seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district are to seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district are to seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district are to seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district are to seventh and the proposed and the congested value district are to seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district are to seventh and the recongested value district are to seventh and the recongest to downtown the form the first the Tim of which is the union of the city's high and low pressure systems, and the discarding of the Old Reservoir. The merging of all mains into one system, fed from the New Reservoir, and the construction of a new twenty-four inch main from Madison Street along Canal Street to Seventh, and thence to Broad Street, in his opinion, would give the congested value district adequate projection.

plified by Engineer J. H. Howland, who spent a month in Richmond last spring in an exhaustive survey of water supply conditions. He submitted the detailed report embodying his investigations, and pointed out what he regarded the weak points in the present

that your downtown business districts is in a jeopardous condition as regards the risk of conflagration. Your mains supplying this section could not in the event of a fire of this type

downtown district better pressure, and with the construction of the additional mains recommended in our report, would give you an arterial system able to afford the needed protection."

Davis Opposes Plan.

Mr. Davis was decidedly of the opinion that the distributing system was
by no means as alling as the underwriters' report represented it to be,
and that the construction of a new
twenty-four-inch main from the new
reservoir to the downtown district,
Such a main, he said, would be much
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David B. Banks, of Baltimore, gave it cal protection of the congested value district in Richmond can be attained only by an independent high pressure system on the lines of the installation

ed by the committee to prepare a tentative pian for a line present pipe tem for this city. An independent pipe line system and a power plant, adeline system and a power plant, adequate for present needs, he estimates in his report, could be constructed for

committee voted at the conclusion of the hearing to defer its report until another meeting to be called by the chair. Of the three members, Chairman Mills and Alderman Mitchell were in attendance. Among others present were Carlton McCarthy, of the Administratvic Board; Commissioners Mann and Lecky, of the Fire Superintendent Davis and A Superintendent Davis and Assistant Superintendent Lawton, of the Water Works; Chief Joynes, of the Fire De-partment, and Superintendent Trafford.

of the Electric Plant. Indorse Independent System. Engineers Booth and Howland gave their unqualified indorsement of an in dependent high pressure system case where a city can afford its installation. Mr. Booth had his doubts o the wisdom of saddling upon a of Richmond's size the heavy maintenance charge of such a system, and much the same fears were ex-pressed by Mr. Howland. They declined to express any preference as between the high pressure systems in use in

Baltimore, New York, San Francisco and other cities. If the city electric plant could be enlarged to supply the power needed for the operation of such a system. thought Mr. Booth, Richmond might install one with profit. An efficient system, he said, has recently been in

(Continued on Ninth Page.)

Booklovers' Contest

The names of the winners in The Times-Dispatch Booklovers' Contest will be announced in Sunday's The Times-Dispatch.

RUN TRAIN BY WIRELESS

HIGH RECORD IN CHICAGO

Abnormal Temperatures Throughout Mississippi and Ohio Valleys.
Chicago. III. November 21.—Balmiy weather, accompanies by southwest winds which recompanies by

Declared Unfit for Pool.

Philadelphia, Pa., November 21—Abnormal weather conditions have caused
large quantities of provisions sent to
markets in this city to spoil in transit.

Agents of the State Dairy and Pood
Commission to-day setzed nearly 15,000
pounds of fish, game and poultry, which
they declared was unfit for food. The
maximum temperature to-day was 65
degrees.

TANGLES IN SENATE

NO FINAL REPORT MADE

PLANS NOT YET MATURED

Garrison Discusses Canal Affairs With President.

Washington, November 21.—Secretary Garrison conferred with President Wilson to-day on the Philippine question, and his plans for the operation of the Panama Canal. Mr. Garrison said his plans for the government of the Canal Zone were not sufficiently matured to give them to the President in final form. Three new members of the Philippine Commission have been agreed upon, and their nominations will soon go to the Senate.

NEARS \$3,000.000 MARK

Contributions in Y. M. C. A.-Y. W. C. A.

Campaign ellach \$2,949,993.

New York, November 21.—The contribution clock of the Young Women's and Young Men's Christian Associations, which are engaged here in a two weeks' campaign to raise \$4,000,000, registered \$100,532 to-day, and its hand showed that the fund now totals \$2,949,993. To-day's gifts included \$50,000 from J. P. Morgan & Company, \$10,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Clark, and \$1,000 each from Daniel Guggenheim, Herman Sielcken and William Nelson Cromwell.

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Social Service Work.

The report on social service was argued in the great association. The Scriptural warrant for social service was argued in the report by the citation of certain passages of the Bible in both the Old Testament and the New Testament. The problems of the kingdom of God in the world were designated in this (Continued On Second Page.)

\$2.50-Baltimore and Return-\$2.50 York River Line, Nov. 26, 1907 E. Main.

TO ELIMINATE COMPETITION Further Information on Activities of Telephone Company. Chicago, November 21.—Further information on the activities in 1912 of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company to abseeb 20,000 independent concerns, was given to-day by B. G. Hubbell, of Buffalo, in the American Company's hearing for violation of the Shorman antitrust law. Mr. Hubbell who is president of the Shorman antitrust law. Mr. Hubbell who is president of the Federal Telephone and Telegraph Company, said he thought the motive of the American Company was to eliminate costly competition. The witness also told of an effort by the American Company to obtain control of the Stromberg-Carlson Company, of Rochester, N. V., reputed to be the second largest manufacturers of telephone supplies in the country. Mr. Hubbell was asked on crossex examination whether Theodore N. Vall's plan for a division of territory between the American and Independent companies had not been to effect a saving in operating the telephone systems of the nation. "Partly," he said, "but back of the idea I think thore was no particular intention of reducing the telephone systems of the nation. "Partly," he said, "but back of the idea I think thore was no particular intention of reducing the telephone cost to the public. In a word, Mr. Vall's point was that competition in some districts was too severe, and he was desirated was too severe, and he was desirated of eliminating that competition." BUN TRAIN BY WIRELESS BAPTISTS HAPPY OVER REPORT ONER PORT OF The Company to Over the Intention of the American of the American of the MISSION BOA. Total of \$213,697 (tributed in Virgin During Year. Total of \$213,697 (tributed in Virgin During Year. SHOWN BY CHUP. SHOWN BY CHUP. Since 1880 Membership Hacken and the was desirated of the Intention of the Company to Over the Company to Over the Company to Over the American of the American Company to Over the American Company to Over the Over the Company to Over the Company to Over the Over the Company to O OVER REPORT OF MISSION BOARD

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Since 1880 Membership Has In- Asked Asphalt Concerns for Mansion Besieged With Letters creased From Mere Handful to More Than 250,000-J. Taylor Ellyson Submits Report of Education Board, Which Is Adopted.

report the dexology was sung. Following that, Rev. Livius Lankford, D. D. of Norfolk, led the prayer of thanksgiving. This report showed that during the past year the Baptists of Virginia through the State mission.

Tammany Hall. He so testified to-day at the John Doe Inquiry into highway graft. He said he had an agreement during the past year the Baptists of Virginia through the State mission.

The thermometer here registered 72, a high record for this time of the year. The highest temperature in the central division of the Weather Bureau Rev. J. M. Pilcher, D. D., when he was at Springfield, Ill., where it was 75. It was 74 at Cairo, 70 at Milwhukee and Indanapolis, and 78 at Kansas City and Cleveland. number of Baptists in Virginia in 1880 was only a few thousand, whereas, now they number more than 250,000.

The Baptist Orphanage, located at Salem, is one of the institutions of the general association about which the general association, will show that Superintendent Davis, of the Water Works, declared his opposition to uniting the high and low pressure systems and was of the opinion that such a plan would bring disastrous results to straighten out senatorial tangles of high altitude. The increased pressure, the said, would play have with clear up the stituations now existing in fixtures in households now supplied by low pressure. The dringht of the downtown districts, however, thought.

MINULEO IN OCITIES.

The Cinder New Direct Election was spended progress has been excellent the past year and splended progress has been made in the education work. There is need for a building to be used for an annual training at the orphanage, the clear of the clear up the stituations now existing in Alabama and Maryland will be made downtown districts, however, thought.

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year than for some time, due to the Guire. Increased number of children in the institution and need of repairs in the In

C. P. SIMS UNDER CHARGES

Columbia, S. C. November 21—Distanted proceedings were instituted in the State Supreme Court here to-day against C. P. Sims, of Spartanburg, one of the best-known attorneys in the State. Charges of unprofessional and improper conduct are made, and more state. Charges of unprofessional and improper conduct are made, and more petition is signed by Ralph K. Carson, president of the State Bar Association.

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Three more State contractors.

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general association was instructed to send a message of sympathy from the general association to Mr. Hundley by wire.

A High-Class Table d'Hote Dinner, with excellent music, served in Red Room at Hotel Richmond, \$1.25, every Sunday even-ing from 6 to \$:50.

M'GUIRE DIVIDED FLOOD OF GIFTS HIS PROFITS WITH FOR WHITE HOUSE MURPHY'S NEPHEW

Total of \$213,697 Con-Agreed to Split All Substantial Presents Bonding Deals They Obtained.

HEALTHY GROWTH TRIED TO HOLD UP SHOWN BY CHURCH THREE COMPANIES

\$5,000 Contributions to State Democratic Committee in Return for Highway Contracts-Four Contractors Testify.

BY MAMIE BAYS.

Lynchburg, Va., November 21.—So McGuire, the Syracuse bonding agent great was the gritification of the Virginia Baptist General Association on contractors, is a partner of Charles F. Tammany Hall. He so testified to-day

respits of Further, McGuire confessed to have state mission ing attempted to "hold up" at least school and three aspiralt companies for \$5,000 con-

and attention was called to the fact that this contribution from the women was more money than the general association raised from all sources fifteen years ago. Another interesting fact in this connection was noted by Rev. J. M. Picher, D. D., when he paign contributions to Governor Sulset is a set of books.

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Still Owes Him Money.

McGuire said it was possible he also had sought contributions from the United States Asphalt Company, under the same terms. He said that com-pany paid him \$691 in commissions on materials sold to the State High way Commission, and still owed him money. So did the Wadsworth Stone and Paving Company and the Barber perform this ceremiony. The order perform this ceremiony. The order perform this ceremiony. Company. Last year he received commissions also on sales made to the State by the Alsten Company Company. the Dryden Cement Company, the Kentucky Rock Asphalt Company and the Knickerbocker Cement Company, he Wilson, as under the District laws, it

Divide Bonding Business.

BRIDE CONTINUES

Far Outnumber Simply Ornamental.

LICENSE ISSUED TO YOUNG COUPLE

Begging for "Just One Slice of Wedding Cake"-Society Puzzling as to Where Honeymoon Will Be Spent.

[Special to The Times Dispaich.]
Washington, November 21.—The flood
of gifts for Miss Jessie Wilson, the mese handiwork silverware, gilded with

ocratic cookbook recently brought out through the co-operation of 450 women

tributed, McGuire said he did not ply ornamental gifts received. All the know, but the Barber Company got Wilson and Sayre relatives appear to the contract. He said he had received think useful gifts the best, and Mr. and

The license authorizing the Rev. Sylvester Beach, the President's pasbetween Miss Jessie Wilson it was necessary to get an order from the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, signed by Chief Justice

The license was not taken out per-sonally by either Mr. Sayre or Miss

eight years old, a resident of New York, white, and never married before. Miss Wilson was described as being twenty-six years old, a resident of Washington, D. C., and previously

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night, will serve a dual purpose of din-net and inspecting tour.

Another honeymoon spot selected by her guessing friends for Miss Wilson is "Windsor Forge," at Churchtown, Pn., the home of Mr. Sayre's aunt, Miss Olimbia, National Ways, there that Miss

Blanche Nevin. It was there that Miss Wilson and Mr. Sayre met a year ago. The erection of the dais or platform on which the ceremony will be per-formed was begun to-day in the East The platform is carpeted bright green, and is rounded in shape. It is being erected in front of "Nellie Grant's" window, where both Nellie Grant and Alice Roosevelt were mar-

Dinner at White House.

A dinner was given at the White onse to-night by President and Mrs. The inquiry will be resumed Monday

Visit Hospital at Naples.

Naples, November 21.—A number of American navy surgeons, headed by Surgeon Washington B, Grove, of the battleship Arkansas, to-day visited the military hospital here. Other officers of the Arkansas and Florida attended a reception given in their honor by the Naples Rowing Club.

House to-night by President and Mrs. Wilson to the members of the breadth of the Misson to the members of the Treasury MicAdoo, William Dennison, Major Winship, Paymaster John H, Knapp, Felix Frankfurter, Dr. Carey Grayson, Lienston of the Arkansas and Florida attended a reception given in their honor by the Naples Rowing Club.

"The Acid Test"

The sworn daily average circulation statements made in October to the United States Government by the morning papers published in Richmond show:

25,801 The Times-Dispatch The other paper

Last Sunday The Times-Dispatch printed 34,833 This is the acid test.

Every one who can read, reads The Times-Dispatch.

M'COMBS AT WHITE HOUSE

Reiterates Declaration He Will Not Be Ambassador to France. Relierates Declaration He Will Not Be Ambassador to France.

Washington, November 21.—William F. McCombs, chairman of the Domocratic National Committee, after a conference to-day with President Wilson, amounced that he believed the Republican party would be the chief rival of the Democratic party for the presidency in 1916.

"The recent elections," said Mr. McCombs, "have served to strengthen my conviction that much of the Progressive party will be absorbed either by the Democratic or Republican parties, and that the next national political conflict would find the Republican party the principal opponent of the democracy."

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Mr. McCombs and the President discussed the general political situation for more than an hour, but the New York Democratic situation, the national chairman asserted, was not brought up. As to his own future, Mr. McCombs reiterated his declaration that he nought no public office, and that he would not be the ambassador to France.

as will be consistent with any affairs."

Late in the day the national chairman talked with Attorney-General Mc-Reynolds To-morrow he expects to seet other members of the Cabinet.

ADVISES EATING OF ONIONS

Mrs. Hetty Green 78 Years Old, But Doesn't Wish to Be Reminded of It.

in business visits in the financial district.

She entered her office in her home at a colock, and an hour later she left her home to 20 downtown. She was met by a corps of reporters, and to their congratulations, replied:

Thanks, but I do not wish to be reminded of it. I do not like to think I am getting older, and, in fact, I try to think just the opposite, and that is really how I feel.

In answer to a volley of questions on current questions, Mrs. Green advaged the reporters to cat colons. "I am never without my onion," she said, "strength of the onion kills the germs one gathers about the city. I owe my good health to having ealen onions constantly for many years."

ENCOURAGED BY SUCCESS.

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Reats of Paris Observatory Clock Heard at Arlington.

Washington, November 21.—Three weeks of patient experiment culminated in success last night, when the United States Naval Observatory here heard the beats of the Paris observatory clock, transmitted by radio signals from the Eirfel Tower to the great mayal radio station at Arlington.

The American and French commissioners, who are conducting these experiments to determine the difference in longitude between Paris and Washington and the velocity of propagation of radio signals, were greatly encouraged by their success. They announced to-day that the senson of the year when atmospheric conditions are best for radio work is now coming on and that their work will proceed as planned.

INVESTIGATE COAL STRIKE

LEAVE FOR CAPE HENRY

Army Officers on Business Connected With Proposed Portifications. Washington, November 21.—A board of army officers left this city to-night

The government is having some diffi-culty in acquiring the land necessary for these fortifications at Cape Henry, owing mainly to the high rates fixed by the owners, and it is possible that the owners, and it is possible that can be obtained only by condemna-

LGSS ABOUT \$8.500.000

Estimated Damage to Vessels and Cargos in Recent Storms.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Detroit. Alich., November 21.—According to the estimates of the underwriters carrying the risk on the steamers and cargoes lost in the storm of a week ago, the total loss to cargoes and vessels was about \$8,500,000 was uninsured, while about \$2,000,000 was insured, of which \$2,000,000 is apportioned to loss on cargoes and \$2,500,000 on the vessels. The Great Lakes Protective Association carried about 25 per cent of the total risk, the remainder being carried by American and British marine insurance companies. Estimated Damage to Vessels and Car-

GUARANTEE OBLIGATIONS

KAISER NOT SERIOUSLY ILL

Suffering from Slight Chill Recently concerns. Sinfering from Slight Chill Recently
Contracted at Kiel.

ISpecial Cable to The Times Dispatch.]
Berlin, November 21.—The report that the Kaiser is seriously ill is defined on the highest authority. The truth is that the Kaiser suffered from a slight chill, contracted during his last inspection of the fleet at Kiel. He has been advised by his physicians to cancel all his out-of-door engagements for the next week.

So comment was obtainable to-day from administration officials on the fact that Ilueria had convened his Congress in defiance of President Wilson, and that the Congress had announced its desire to sustain the dictator.

The situation was apparently anticipated by the statement at the White House yesterday that the only thing to was to let the whole Mevicen

Hullders' Test Satisfactory.

Philadelphia, November 21.—The torpedoboat destroyer Parker returned here to-day after a satisfactory builders' test over the Delaware breakwater course. A speed of 30.33 knots an hour was attained, while the government requirement called for only 29 1-2 knots.

\$2.50-Baltimore and Return-\$2.50 York River Line, Nov. 26, 907 E. Main,

MADERO BROTHERS ARE GIVEN REFUGE ON U.S. BATTLESHIP

Relatives of Late President of Mexico Seek Asylum.

TRIP IS GUARDED BY BLUEJACKETS

Transfer of Refugees From American Consulate Building to the Louisiana Effected Only After Request for Their Surrender to Local Authorities Is Refused.

Doesn't Wish to Be Reminded of It.

1 Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

New York, November 21.—Mrs. Hetty creen, the richest woman in the world, and Daniel Madero, two relatives of the late President of Mexico, were said she didn't wish to be reminded of it. She celebrated by getting into her office at her home an hour earlier than usual, and by spending the entire day in business visits in the financial district.

She entered her office in her home at She entered her office in her home at consulate.

"Only God can save Mexico," to which his brother Daniel added: "But only with the help of the United States." The transfer of the refugees to the Louisiana was effected after a request for their surrender to the local au-

thorities had been refused by Consul Canada.
Reports that veiled threats had been made to take the refugees by force, followed the consul's refusal. In anticipation of any such attempt the steam inunch from the American bat-tleship lay all morning off the sea wall opposite the consulate, with an armed crew of bluejackets on board

ready to come ashore at a moment's notice. John Lind conferred to-day Rear Admiral Fletcher, the commander of the American fleet. He exchanged numerous dispatches with Washington.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, November 21.—The facts Secretary Wilson Arrives in Denver to Study Conditions.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Denver, Colo., November 21.—William B. Wilson, Secretary of the United States Department of Labor, arrived in Denver to-day as President Wilson's special representative to investigate the coal strike in Southern Colorado.

"I am not femiliar with the Colorado situation," said Secretary Wilson, "and Secretary Wilson, "and Secretary Wilson, and the United States battleship Louisiana in Vera Cruz Harbor, were reported to Acting Secretary of the Navy Roose-velt by Admiral Fletcher, who had been in communication with John Lind.

Mr. Roosevelt took up the matter with the President, in the absence of Secretary Daniels.

It is stated at the White House that these refugees will be retained on board a war vessel until they shall decide where they want to go, with the chances that they will come to the United States.

The State Department does not give out any of the particulars as to the manner in which the released prisoners Secretary Wilson Arrives in Denver to Study Conditions.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Wilson College Name Property College Name

out any of the particulars as to the manner in which the released prisoners first appealed to the protection of the United States consul, where they, according to the unofficial account, were held until arrangements could be made for Admiral Fletcher to send one of

the ship's coats for them.

Secretary of State Bryan, in Answer to questions, to day stated that the instructions had been sent to the commanders of the Federal and rebet forces in the neighborhood of Tuxpan and Tampico, not to interfere with property of Americans and other foreign residents near those places. These instructions were identical with those issued during the last administration, and during the present administration to Federal and rebel com-manders in Northern Mexico. General instructions covering all cases were sent out about two months ago, to the effect that the military commanders would be held "personally accountable"

for injury to American and other for-eign residents.

No Notice of Threats.

The State Department made the posi-tive statement to-day that it had no notice or information that the rebeix or anybody else had been "threatening" the oil interest of the Americans at in Tuspan and Tampico. Mr. Bryan said porting the department had been informed 1,000 that residents near those towns expressed anxiety, and action was taken

accordingly mation that General Aguilar, in com-mand of the rebel forces in the Tam-rico-Tuxpan district, has had control for some time of the oil pipe lines that there has been no danger to them from that source. It was thought, however, that in banditti warfare here

poritors, following rumors in local. It is estimated by the State Depart-banking circles regarding the bank's ment that there are about 5,000,000 barrels of oil at Tuxpan and about 12,000,000 barrels in the Tampico re-gion. Some of this, it is stated, is the property of joint English and American

House yesterday that the only thing to do was to let the whole Mexican fabric crumble to pieces and to take up any new situation only when it had crystallized.

Protection is Promised. Washington, November 21.—Rear-Admiral Fletcher, commanding the VIRGINIA EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE,